

**REMARKS**

As indicated above, claims 41-49, 65-68, 72-76, 91-94 and 102-105 have been canceled. Thus, claims 1-40, 50-64, 69-71, 77-90 and 95-101 are pending. Applicants respectfully request consideration of the application in view of this preliminary amendment. If the Examiner has any questions or matters that can be expediently handled by telephone, he or she is encouraged to contact the undersigned at (206) 359-6380.

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